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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 February 22, 2005 (Tuesday after Holiday)

Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced Patent Application:

1. Reply to Restriction Requirement.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated January 19, 2005, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Applicants hereby elect Group III consisting of claims 28-35 for initial examination in this application. This election is with traverse.